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TAGS: SOPN, UR, RH
SUBJECT: RHODESIA: MOSCOW AGAIN BACKS THE PATRIOTIC FRONT

1. COMMENTATOR V.KUDRIAVTSEV PUBLISHES A LONG COLUMN IN
IZVESTIYA OF JANUARY 25 FULLY SUPPORTING THE PATRIOTIC
FRONT OF ZIMBABWE AND DERIDING THE BLACK RHODESIAN
MODERATES. KUDRIAVTSEV REVIEWS WITH PONDEROUS MALICE
THE ANGLO-U.S. EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT A RHODESIAN SETTLE-
MENT BUT RESERVES HIS REAL SCORN FOR SITHOLE AND OTHER
"COLLABORATIONISTS" WHO WOULD ASSIST SMITH IN THE CREATION
OF A "NEORACIST" STATE. THE SOLE "GENUINELY DEMOCRATIC
PATY", ACCORDING TO KUDRIAVTSEV, IS LAID OUT IN THE
PROGRAM OF THE PATRIOTIC FRONT CALLING FOR THE INSTALLA-
TION OF A PATRIOTIC FRONT GOVERNMENT WHICH WOULD ORGANIZE
ELECTIONS, DRAW UP A CONSTITUTION, AND REGULATE
PUBLIC SECURITY. KUDRIAVTSEV CONCLUDES BY URGING
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CLOSER UNITY WITHIN THE FRONT AND ALSO BETWEEN THE
FRONT AND THE FRONTLINE STATES.

2. COMMENT: THE PURPOSE OF THIS ARTICLE, APART
FROM REITERATING SOVIET SUPPORT FOR THE FRONT,
APPEARS TO BE TO ENCOURAGE GREATER UNITY AMONG
THOSE OPPOSING CURRENT DIPLOMATIC AND POLITICAL

EFFORTS TO FIND A RHODESIAN SOLUTION. PRESUMABLY
THE ARTICLE WAS PROMPTED BY REPORTS THAT NEGOTIATIONS
BETWEEN SMITH AND MODERATE BLACK LEADERS ARE MAKING
PROGRESS.
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